

SOUTH DAKOTA FIRE SERVICE INSTRUCTOR'S CONFERENCE

January 12 & 13, 2013

RAMKOTA RIVER CENTER, PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

Featured Presenter: Scott Carrigan

Scott Carrigan is a full-time company officer in New Hampshire and a senior staff instructor with the New Hampshire Fire Academy. He is an adjunct professor at Lakes Region Community College and co-owner of Innovative Fire Training Solutions, LLC. He is a graduate of Oklahoma State University's School of Fire Protection & Safety Technology and recently completed his Master of Education with a focus in Adult Learning and Development. In addition, he is presently participating in advanced graduate coursework in adult education and leadership studies at the University of Wyoming. Scott has instructed at regional, national, and international conferences, including FDIC and for the NFPA. He has been recognized twice for his contributions to fire service training in New Hampshire, having received the John Ayers Fire Instructor of the Year Award and an "Academy Award" from the NH Fire Standards & Training Commission. He has assisted in the development of several training manuals and has published articles in national trade journals.

Teaching Adults: Evidence-Based Best Practices

When it comes to improving instruction, many fire instructors find that they are on their own. Trial and error often become the proving ground for new ideas, with varied degrees of success. In addition, cultural norms and tradition sometimes stand in the way of innovation. These and other factors make continuing development a challenge for the fire instructor.

The goal of this class is to introduce the participants to new and established concepts, methodologies, and resources in the field of adult education and the research that supports their effectiveness. Relevance to fire service training will be highlighted. Major sections of the presentation will include:

- . Foundations of Adult Learning: What's Relevant?**
- . PowerPoint and Classroom Technology: Effective Use**
- . An Alternative to Lecture: Peer Instruction**
- . Psychomotor Skills: Factors Affecting Skill Acquisition and Retention**
- . Developing Tactical Expertise: Recognition and Simulation Training**
- . Experimental Learning, Training in Context, and other Non-Traditional Teaching Methods**
- . Maintaining Student and Instructor Motivation**
- . Resources for Instructor Development: Beyond the Fire Service**

2013 SDSFSI Conference Schedule, Fee, and Lodging Information

Saturday January 12th, 2013

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM – Registration in the lobby outside the amphitheater

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM – Opening of the Conference and Introductions

9:00 AM – 12 Noon – Class

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM – Class resumes

4:00 PM – start of business meeting

Sunday January 13th, 2013

8:00 Am – 12 Noon – Class

12 Noon – Lunch and return to finish business meeting or finish business meeting and adjourn.

Membership/Registration Fee

This is a notice of the upcoming Conference in January and this notice is also to remind Instructors that the pre-registration was set at \$25 and must be sent in and post marked by Dec15th, after that the registration will be \$30. This also means that anyone that requires to be billed or pays at the conference for the registration shall be charged the \$30 per instructor.

Our intention to have all pre-register, this will allow an easier registration the day of the conference. This year you will receive a card showing that you are a paid member of the Association and are covered by the Insurance Policy.

As you send in your registration a list of ALL your Department names and their email addresses need to be written legibly or typed so the names will be entered appropriately for the Insurance. If you pay for Instructors that do not attend the Conference their cards can be picked up at the Conference by a fellow member or will be mailed to your Department. Checks are to be made out to “South Dakota Fire Instructors Association” or SDFIA, no cash please unless paying at the Conference.

So again please get your registration in as soon as possible to insure you will receive the Insurance coverage.

Thanks
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Lodging: A block of 70 rooms has been set aside at the Ramkota. Please call the motel directly at 605-224-6877 to make your reservations. Guest should state that they are coming for the South Dakota Fire Service Instructor's Conference to receive the reduced rate on this block of rooms.